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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MIMMS LARRY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

GEN PROBE INC [GPRO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/17/2006

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

below) Executive VP, Research and Dev.

GEN-PROBE

(City)

INCORPORATED, 10210 **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE**

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Secur	ities A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					()		Reported			
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
C			Code v	Amount	(D)	Price				
Common	01/17/2006		M	400	A	\$	18,040	D		
Stock	01/11/2000		141	100	11	12.29	10,040	D		
G						Φ.				
Common	01/17/2006		$S^{(1)}$	400	D	\$	17,640	D		
Stock	01/1//2000		<u> </u>	100	ט	51.17	17,010	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.29	01/17/2006		M	400	<u>(2)</u>	06/01/2012	Common Stock	400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MIMMS LARRY GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Executive VP, Research and Dev.

8. F Der Sec (Ins

Signatures

/s/ R. William Bowen, Attorney-in-Fact

01/19/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 26, 2005.
- (2) Option vests as follows: 25% vest on 6/1/03; 1/48th vesting monthly following three years.

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